

WEEKLY UPDATE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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59.8% ⁹²

92%

21337

CODED NUMBERS

The City's Code Compliance staff stayed active in 2007, noting a 10% increase in residential code violations. Even with the increase, over 90% of Tempe's single-family homes are free of code violations.

	2007	2006
Complaints Processed	7597	6896
Cases Closed	7512 [98% of opened cases]	6690 [97% of opened cases]
Proactive Cases %	59.8%	43.7%
Voluntary Compliance	92%	92%

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EAST CITY HALL LOT

The East City Hall gated parking lot was closed to parking starting as of January 14th. **McCarthy Construction** will be starting demolition of the area as the first step in construction of the City Hall Parking Garage. If you have any questions or concerns on the construction, please contact **Larry Fosholt** at 480.350.2922 or **Tom Wilhite** at 480.350.2921. Planning continues for the extension of City Hall park between City Hall podium and the garage.

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GREATER PHOENIX

PULLING RANK

#2 Best Public Education System

The December 2007 issue of *Expansion Management* magazine published a ranking of metropolitan statistical areas with the best overall public school systems. Greater Phoenix ranked #2 for large metro areas.

#2 Economic Development Hot Spot

Greater Phoenix was ranked as the No. 2 large metropolitan area for "Economic Development Hot Spots" in the October 2007 issue of *Expansion Management* magazine. The employment expansion activity of 19 million companies was tracked during the past four years, and Greater Phoenix is "...where companies tend to grow best."

For additional information, contact **Sheri Wakefield-Saenz** at 480.350.8812.

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2008 DEVELOPMENT SHOWCASE ANNOUNCED

Upwardly Urban: The Tempe Development Showcase returns this November 12-13 with new developments, new participants and best of all, a second day. An invitation-only event for the Development Community, urban-specialist Realtors and corporate site selectors will be hosted at the base of the **Centerpoint Condominium** towers on November 12. The Real Estate Community will be invited to bring clients to the public expo on November 13. Developments and sponsors are being lined-up for booth space and sponsorship opportunities at this event. For details, contact **Kris Baxter** at 480.858.2059.

- Brian Vosburg, Director of Ypsilanti, Michigan's Downtown Development Authority



FRANKENBERG HOUSE LISTED ON NATIONAL REGISTER

www.tempe.gov/historicpres/DJFrankenbergHouse.html

Tempe's Historic Preservation Office just received word that the **D.J. Frankenberg House** located at 2222 S. Price Road has been listed to the *National Register of Historic Places* - the offical listing of the nation's cultural resources worthy of preservation. A member of one of the earliest ranching families in Tempe, Frankenberg was selected as one of the first farmers to experiment with Pima Long Staple Cotton. Featuring a Craftsman interior, the 1915 house is located on a 4-acre site, and is significant as one of the best remaining examples of the transitional Western Colonial Box style homes in Tempe. Colonial Revival became a popular American house style after it appeared at the 1876 US Centennial Exposition. Reflecting American patriotism and a desire for simplicity, the Colonial Revival house style remained popular until the mid 1950's. The Frankenberg House is also listed on the local Tempe Historic Property Register as HP #27.

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SECTION 8

Last Friday, 11 January, 440 pre-applications were taken at the Edna Vihel Center for the Arts for the City of Tempe Section 8 Waiting List. Each applicant met with a staff member to review their pre-application and receive their placement on the waiting list. Special thanks to the Housing Team, and volunteers Andres Lara and Jody Benson who also assisted. The City of Tempe Housing Authority provides rent subsidy to eligible low income individuals and families through the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program. The Section 8 waiting list remains open with pre-applications being taken at the Housing office every Friday from 7-11AM until further notice.

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